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TWENTY-SECOND YEAR.

Morning,

Murder

OF MAYOR HARRISON.

He Makes No Speech as He Had funeral cortege. Intended.

Execution.

CHICAGO, July 13.-Patrick Engene

The jury of physicians at 11:10 filed in and inspected the scaffold and appurte-In the Cook County Jail for the ranged around the sides of the corridor and the rather tedious thought, in reality short wait, began until the final march should be taken up.

Starts for the Gallows.

At II:45 a. m. a hush fell upon the bustling throng in the corridor and down the hall could be heard the tramp of the

A few moments later Sheriff Gilbert and Jailer storris appeared at the right of the scaffold, the prisoner, pale and No Unusual Scenes at the stood without apparent nervousness, though a trifle weak and unsteady as his arms were being pinioned.

He seemed determined to die game and looked calmly out on the assembled Prendergast the murderer of Mayor Car-ter Harrison was hung at 11:48 a. m. crowd below him. The white shroud was next placed about him and barring a little restless motion of the eyes up and Within the gloomy whited walls of down and from side to side, he made no Cook county jail all was suppressed excitement as the time rapidly drew near for the execution. The gallows had been placed in position in the east end been placed in position in the east end earth. An instant later at 11.48 and he



P. E. J. PRENDERGAST. Assassin of Mayor Harrison, of Chicago.

test of the rope, trap and trigger.

last night and seemed calm and col-lossely hanging white robe.

Surrounded by the jury of six physilected when the jailer left him a few minutes before

receive spiritual consolation, but when nightfall came on he asked that Father Muldoon be admitted. I am in doubt from the time he left his cell, apparently as to how he will act when he sees the being lost in contemplation of his fate. dangling noose," said Jailer Morcis, "and while I am half inclined to think he will anchored end of the rope, the shrouded make a scene, there is no telling. He coffin standing underneath the platform, may brace himself and go through it. The face of the dead man was not badly all right, for he has often expressed ad distorted though the mouth was open, Higgins met his death."

The Prisoners Moved; tiers of cells immediately in front of and long to be remembered. to the left of the scaffold were marched. The coffin was borne into the outer

Morris and his assistants made the final side, the neck having apparently been

at 11:57, nine minutes after the trigger "He refused until late last evening to was sprung, he was pronounced dead. Made No Andible Sound.

The assassin made no audible sound At 11:58 Jailer Morris loosened the

corpse was slowly lowered and laid in the miration for the manner in which Buff and the tongue protruding. The color of the features was a bluish tint which, with his unkempt reddish hair, straggling At 10:50 all the prisoners in the three down over the forehead, made a sight

out and taken over into the south wing, court and thence across to the inner jail



THE LATE HON. CARTER H. HARRISON, MAYOR OF CHICAGO, Assassinated on the Evening of October 28, 1801.

stration during the final scenes.

ance upon Prendergast all the morning. The little assassin "had thawed out" materially since last night, and was now How Prendergast's Life Led Up to the most deferential to his spiritual adviser.

Assassination. The doomed man announced with a trifle

In order that there might be no demon- office where, after the legal formalities were gone through with, the body was Father Barry was in constant attend- subject to claim by relatives or friends. HISTORY OF THE CRIME.

Carcago, July 13 .- Just about nine of bravado, "that he would diegame and months have elapsed since Prendergast set a great and shining example to his committed the atrocious crime for which he suffered today. In that long time pub-He intended, it was stated, to make a lic opinion has not changed a particle. It speech which he asserted will be the ef- is as strong and relentless now as then, fort of his life, and was very particular in the shadow of the gallows as under lest he be misquoted or misinterpreted. stress of the excitement which the mur-Prendergast was removed from his cell der created. The awful event of toin murderers row to an ante-room off the jail office which is in fact the bath room and where the last kindly offices were being performed for the miserable prendergast in an asylum rather than in arrangements for the hunting trip at that his grave, but they are so few their opin- | time.

Prendergast especially requested Sheriff Gilbert to allow him twenty minutes in which to make his dying statement,

Prendergast, a newspaper carrier about 23 years of age, took great interest in politics. During the mayoralty campaign a year ago, which resulted in the election of Carter H. Harrison, he was active in political circles, and spent much of his time electioneering and working for Mr. Harrison. He was also an ardent and enthusiastic advocate of the single tax theory. He was in the habit of attending meetings of the Sin-Prendergast, a newspaper carrier about

his tellows was regarded as a prodigy of learning. He regarded himself in the General Managers Will Not same light and treated the other carriers with supercitiousness and evident contempt, which they were disposed rather to encourage than to resent for Prendergast was a brutal and cruel youth, who had a disagreeable fondness for beating and torturing his younger and smaller co-workers.

Last summer he grew tired tired of his featureless existence. What he wanted more than all things, what was more necessary than everything else to his happiness, was to be talked about. He longed to see his name in the newspapers, to know that he was filling the He felt that to enjoy the sensations of notoriety, he would risk much. But he was a coward and would not risk his life. He would risk his liberty for the delights he dreamed of, but not his life.

At last it occurred to him it would create comment if one in his station in life, a humble newspaper carrier, should apply for a high office in the municipal government. The idea, once admitted, below, Sovereign and Gompers and it took complete possession of his mind. He appeared in Corporation Counsel Adolph Kraus' office one day and announced that he desired to succeed Mr. Kraus in the position. Mr. Kraus laughed at him and took the announcement as a joke, and Prendergast sneaked

With what eagerness he looked for the papers the next morning! How auxiously he hoped they would contain an account of the visit to Mr. Kraus! If they had, probably Mayor Harrison would have been alive today. If they had Prendergast would probably have been satisfied. He would have seen his name in print, He would have lorded it over the other carriers of whom the publie had never heard.

But unluckily for Mayor Harrison, and for him, he was disappointed. The newspapers contained no mention of the incident he had so carefully planned. Exasperated by his failure to secure the notoriety he craved Prendergast determined to make another attempt. At last he selected Mayor Harrison. He called est of the rope, trap and trigger.

broken. Slowly swaying back and forth, ity he could master, stated his desire to the mayor's office and who feet their employ, ity he could master, stated his desire to the mayor's office and who feet their employ, ity he could master, stated his desire to the mayor's office and who feet their employ, ity he could master, stated his desire to the mayor and the mayor was in good humor and the mayor was in go can judge the march to the scaffold will spasmodic movement of the legs was a l ludicrousness of the affair struck him. be about 11:30. Prendergast rested well | the signs of life apparent within the | He chaffed Prendergast good naturedly and speedily forgot him. At any rate he dld not think it necessary to notify the cians, the corpse swung to and fro, and newspapers and again Prendergast falled of his object.

He was now more determined than ever to attain it. He resolved that he would get his name into the newspapers even at the risk of arrest. He called again upon the mayor and hinted if his request did not secure prompt attention t would be the worse for the mayor. But his cowardice prevented him from making the hints ominous enough to frighten or even startle the mayor, Mr. Harrison did not fear, and he treated Prendergast's threats as lightly as he had treated his request. This time he ordered Prendergast out of the office, but in spite of that he did not think the matter important enough to mention it.

Prendergast determined to write the mayor. His letters were not only unanswered but he could not be sure they had ever been delivered. Again he called on Mayor Harrison. This time he was received brusquely and was warned to keep away and trouble the mayor no more.

Desperate with his determination to

secure the longed-for notoriety and enraged at his repeated failures Prendergast at last worked himself into a frenzied momentary courage and committed the frightful crime for which he died today. On the night of October 28, 1893, Carter H. Harrison, mayor of Chicago, was seated at dinner with his son and daughter, in his residence on Ashland boulevard. The doorbell rang and a low-browed, shambling, ill-clad fellow asked to see the mayor. When he was informed the mayor was at dinger he turned away and said he would return later. When the man called again the mayor was quietly dozing on a divan. It had been "American Cities" day at the World's fair and he had made the best speech of his life to the vast throng of people. He

and came toward the door. The man approached the mayor, said something which was not overheard by the servant, and then pointed a revolver at Mr. Harrison's breast and fired. assassin ran into the street and after discharging a bullet at the pursuing butler, disappeared in Jackson street. afterwards he surrendered himself to the police, about the same time that Mayor Harrison expired in the arms of Miss Anna Howard, of New Orleans, to whom he was to be married in a few days.

TO GO A-HUNTING.

President Cleveland Will Visit Colorado to Hill a Bear.

DENVER, July 13 .- Gen. A. L. New, collector of internal revenue for this district, is arranging for a hunting trip in Colorado for President Cleveland, Attomey General Olney, Secretary of War Lamont, Senator Gorman, Collector of Internal Revenue Miller, Chairman Harrity and other distinguished man.

Gen. New says President Cleveland is anxious to kill a bear. The locality that will be selected for the hunt will proba-

OFFERS OF PEACE.

Strike

Confer With Debs,

But Will Listen to Mayor Hop-

Debs, arose early this morning and call-ed his executive officers together at Mr. St. John said later that the propoed his executive officers together at Unlich's hall. They held a close conference for something like a half hour and and would not be considered by them bepublic eye. He lusted after distinction, about 9:33 Mr. Debs appeared and said: fore the regular meeting tomorrow, if, no matter whether it was good or bad. "In view of the enormous proportions he added significantly, it be considered at which this strike has assumed and the all tremendous damage to public and pri- Sovereign what would be done in case sociation declaring the strike off on con- our executive board together and deter-

> lated last night in a conference between issue an order calling off that of the Debs, Sovereign and Gompers and it was surged that in case the general managers The meeting of the federation of labor agreed that in case the general managers
> refuse to meet the wishes of President leaders adjourned at 1 o'clock to meet

> The proposition has two conditions: Mr. Debs called on Mayor Hopkins First, That arbitration as proposed by before 2 p. m. to here the result of the President Cleveland be entered upon; second, that all the striking employes second, that all the striking employes manager's association. The mayor told except those who had been guilty of him exactly what had occurred. No

statement he was asked what would be that the strike was not off, but was just the effect in case the general managers as it had been. He said he would report refuse to rejustate the men. He said he the results of the mayor's visit to a meetthought the strike was practically ended ing of the executive board to be held at and regarded it as a great triumph for Unitch's hall this evening. labor. After a pause he added: "The strike will set le back then to the origi-

to call upan the mayor. On his way he the general managers will agree to take upon the mayor, and, with all the grave thet Sovereign and Howard and they ac- back those men who left their employ. kins said: "These gentlemen came to me | back as members of the A. R. U., but with a proposition to call the strike off, that they be treated with as individuals. the General Managers' association to There is no question of the recognition agree to take back all employes who had of a union involved. I am hopeful of a the law. They asked me to go with them to present the proposition. I told them I

would gladly go."
Meanwhile, Alderman McGillan, chairman of the council of arbitration committee, had been sent for. He arrived at 10:45, and after a few minutes talk

When the mayor arrived at the office of the general manager's association, he suggested it, and it will settle the strike. found that the regular meeting had ad-journed, and Mr. St. John, of the Rock who the arbitrators will be but this is cersland road, was the only manager pres- tain that Carroll D. Wright will be one

the Pullman company, received his first officio member of a committee appointed information of President Cleveland's in- under its provisions. The other two tention to appoint a committee of inves-tigation at his residence today. He had and the only restriction is that one of anticipated no such move on the part of the men shall be appointed from the president, and did not know of the the state in which the trouble is. law under which the appointment of the committee was made. Mr. Wickes long distance telephone with Mr. Hayes would make no statement, saying he after the president gave his decision in would wait until the committee had ar- the matter and the whole scope and sigrived, and he knew what powers it pos- nificance of the law was explained to

Among the stock yards strikers who returned to work this morning were nine all the powers of a congressional invesengineers, sine telegraphers and twenty tigating committee. It may summon clerks and yardmasters. Other employes witnesses and compel to testify of the will be given their positions if they report promptly. A few steam fitters and carthey did not add to the seriousness of the | will be brought out. situation.

Milwaukee this morning and was only ter, but that is true of any arbitration. three short of his usual force. sheep butchers talked of joining the beef | to investigate and to declare a finding, butchers, but they did not leave their and the parties may or may not abide by his life to the vast throng of people. He work this morning. Applicants for po- that finding. It can compel Pullman was awakened by the sound of voices sitions as unskilled laborers were turned to show his books, however, and the reaway from the packing houses. Armour sult will be that the public will be given discharged fifteen teamsters for whom all the facts in the controversy between

Would Not Call Another Meeting. Mr. St. John said he would receive the proposition and lay it before the next or whether he thinks he has nothing to meeting. He was requested to call a special meeting, but declined to do so. He consented to listen to the gentlemen facts and the public can then draw its before the mayor and a prominent member of the city council. He declared that he would have nothing to do with Debs or any of the strike leaders.

After leaving the proposition with Mr. St. John, the mayor returned to his office. Mr. St. John had previously said that the general managers would not recognize the labor leaders in any way. and it was because of this statement that Debs, Howard and Sovereign did not present their proposition in person but delegated the presentation to the mayor.

Mayor Hopkins said: "We were courteously received by Chairman St. John and Manager Egan of the General Manager's association. We made known the object of our visit. Mr. Egan who did all the talking said that while the association would have accepted no proposition pre-sented by Mr. Debs in person, he having made them trouble enough for the last few weeks, they would consider a propo-

sition presented through the mayor of

Will Listen to the Mayor. but Prendergast's temper has been proverbially uncertain and it was thought by many that he would at the last moment forego his determination.

The list of the Mayor.

The general manager's association had adjourned for the day, but Mr. Egan and the criminal were alike extraordinary. Patrick Eugene James

habit of attending meetings of the Single Tax club, and took part frequently in the debates.

Thus he gained a smattering of knowmitted Criminal Acts.

Except Those Who Have Comforther that unless there was a declaration of an end of the strike there might be some hot-heads who would still persist in overt acts. I represent the strike there was a declaration of an end of the strike there might be some hot-heads who would still persist in overt acts. I represent the strike there was a declaration of an end of the strike there might be some hot-heads who would still persist in overt acts. I represent the strike there was a declaration of an end of the strike there might be some hot-heads who would still persist in overt acts. sented to him further that it is in the interests of the state that the strike be declared off, as it is now under an expense of \$18,000 a day in maintaining the militis in this city. His talk was generally to the effect that so far as the

> any strike.' Kins of Chicago.
>
> Will Keep the New Men.
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> Mr. Egan said informally: "The general managers will retain in their employ the men who filled the strikers' places

railroads are concerned there is no longer

sition would not be submitted to any meeting of the general managers today

When Mr. Debs was asked today by vate interests, we will today submit a the general managers refused to reinstate proposition to the General Managers' as the men, Debs replied; "we shall call

mine upon a course of action." The proposition referred to was formu-strike was declared off by Debs he should

Debs, Gompers should call out the na- again at 2:33. They appointed a committional federation of labor throughout the tee of five to draft an address to the pub-

mayor's conference with the general criminal misconduct shall be restored to their positions without prejudice by the railroad companies.

It is Minagers Refuse

After Debs had made this startling that the strike was not off but was included.

Say Debr' Offer Is Good. Mayor Hopkins, on being asked as to nal grievance between Pullman and his employes."

the proposition made to the general managers said: "Extremely liberal, I think.

Mr. Debs agrees to call off the strike it not been arrested for any offense against | favorable outcome of the consideration

CALLS IT A GREAT VICTORY. Grand Master Sovereign Smokes a Cigar and Feels Good.

CHICAGO, July 13. - While the other labor leaders were in conference last with Debs and Sovereign, the mayor and night, Mr. Soveriegn was enjoying a ci-Alderman McGillan went to the office of gar alone in his room in the Slierman the general managers association, while house. When questioned about the new Debs, Howard and Sovereign returned to turn of affairs, he exclaimed: "That is a great victory for the Knights of Labor. No one thought of it until the Knights

of them as the O'Nelll law provides that Vice President Thomas H. Wickes, of the commissioner of labor shall be by-"I had a long conversation over the

ma.
"As I understand it, the committee has penters left their work this morning, but this way all phases of the controversy

"It is true that the committee has no Armour brought twelve butchers from power to enforce its findings in the mat-The The arbitrators have the power merely him and the employes.

"It will make no difference wifether Mr. Pullman wishes to arbitrate or not, the powers necessary to bring out all the facts and the public can then draw its own conclusions.

"I regard this is a great victory for the Knights of Labor."

SHOULD DO AS ROSEBERY DID. The British Government Settled the

Great Miners Strike by Arbitration. CHICAGO, July 13.—In the course of an interview with Mr. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, shortly after midnight last night, reverting to the cause and effect of the present crisis he said: "I doubt whether Asked to state what had happened in this action of the committee of arbitra-the office of the general managers, tion to be appointed by President Cleveland will materially affect the Pullman strike as it was originally because I do not see how it has anything to do with the interstate commerce law. My understanding is the O'Neill bill can only take effect when the interstate commerce

law is violated. "Leaving the impression that arbitra-

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The War Against the Rock Island Railroad

By the People in the Government Towns,

GROWS WORSE TODAY.

A Thousand Enid People Tear-- ing Up Tracks

A Freight Train Sent Through a Bridge.

ENID, Okla., July 18 .- A north-bound freight train on the Rock Island went through a small bridge three quarters of a mile from South Enid today. The bents and braces of the bridge had been sawed and left hanging together. This teen loaded cars piled up in a heap. The engine and several cars passed over the bridge before it fell.

Brakeman Cordray, and a painter named Harry Lyon were injured slight

The wrecking is supposed to be due to the old Round Pond trouble, the people having received a decision in the supreme court yesterday which they regard as being against them. Last night a meeting of interested citi-zens of Round Pond were held and many

inflammatory speeches were made. Tearing Up Tracks. GUTHRIE, Ok., July 13 .- The altuation at Enid grows worse hourly. The people are desperate and will risk everything to compel the railway to come to time. At noon nearly a thousand people began tearing up the railroad tracks. A large force of deputy marshals have been sent from here and the governor will order out troops.

SHE WAS SO CLEVER

That She Swindfed Jewelers Dus of Diamonds Hight Along.

NEW YORK, July 18. Inspector Mc Laughlin last night acrested Lizzle Pat ton, one of the most beautiful and at the time accomplished awindlers that ever made trouble for the police. The young woman (she is not more than twenty-two has for weeks successfully robbad Now York merchants, diamond dealers being her especial prey. If her own story be true she took several thousand dollars out of Chicago a few months ago. Shis a blonde of stylish appearance, though she has the good judgment not to over dress. There is not one thing in her ap pearance to indicate she is a swindler.

Her method was to appear in one of the leading jewelry establishments, as a customer, her appearance and means being in her favor. The clerks were in variably obsequious. From the display laid out before her, she would select articles valued usually at about \$300, asking that they be kept for her until the next day, when she would call for them. Thereupon she would hand out a delicately engraved card bearing "Miss Lizzie Stearus," announcing herself as the daughter of W. F. Stearns, of the banking firm of W. F. Stearns & Co. The following day slav would present herself with a certified check for the exact amount of her purchase. This check was always accepted without hesitation and always turned out to be bogus. After her arrest, the young woman confessed and also said that alhad been successful in awarding in Chicago, Philadelphia and Baltimore, in the last named city her husband, she added is now serving a sentence for forgery

A BRUTAL SOLDIERY.

British Soldiers Near the Prince of Walne Commit a Fout Outrage.

DUBLIS, July 13, - The Freeman's Journal today publishes a startling account of a seandal which has occurred at Birr, Kings county, the headquarters of the Prince of Wales' Leinster regi ment

According to the story a few nights ago some of the officers of the Leinster regiment masked and disguised forcibly entered the rooms of some female servants, assaulted two of them and shell

The officers in their fight, it is added rushed past a sentry who challenged them and upon their refusal to hult, the sentry thrust his bayonet into one them and shouted for the guard to turn

The guard turned out promptly and the officers were accested. The two girls who were assaulted have sworn to complaints against the prisoners.

CONDUCTORS IN SESSION.

The Entire Santa Fe System From Chicago to Albuquerque Represented. The general grievance committee of

the Order of Railway Conductors of the Santa Fe system, is in session in Topeka. The meeting is one which is hold the second week in July every two years, for the purpose of electing officers and transacting routine business. The committee is made up of the focal

chairmen of each of the eighteen conductor divisions of the Sante Fe system from Chicago to Albuquerque. There is

a full attendance. The officers for the ensuing year were elected today as follows: C. L. Short, Topeka, general chairman; Geo. Thorn-burg. Denver, assistant general chair-man; Richard Wilson, Topeka, general secretary. The meeting will last a day or two. "The session has nothing to do with the strike," said a conductor in raply to a query. "We are meeting simply because our constitution requires us to meet every two years at this date. The members of the order, you might say, by the way, are understood to be true blue to the Santa Fe company.

Cholers at St. Petersburg. St. Petersnung, July 13 .- There were thirteen new cases of cholers and four leaths from that disease reported from here yesterday.